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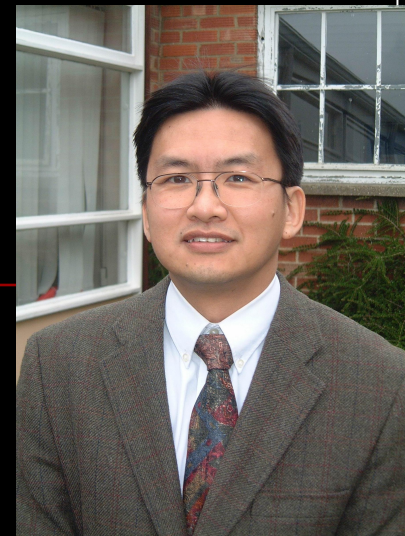
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Oxford Centre for Respiratory Medicine  
Churchill Hospital

# Respiratory Services

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- 5 WTE Consultants
- Inpatient care of 20 beds on the respiratory unit including 2 high dependency beds
- Approx 11000 out-patients per year
- Treatment centre
  - 1200 day cases
  - Rapid assessment for urgent patients



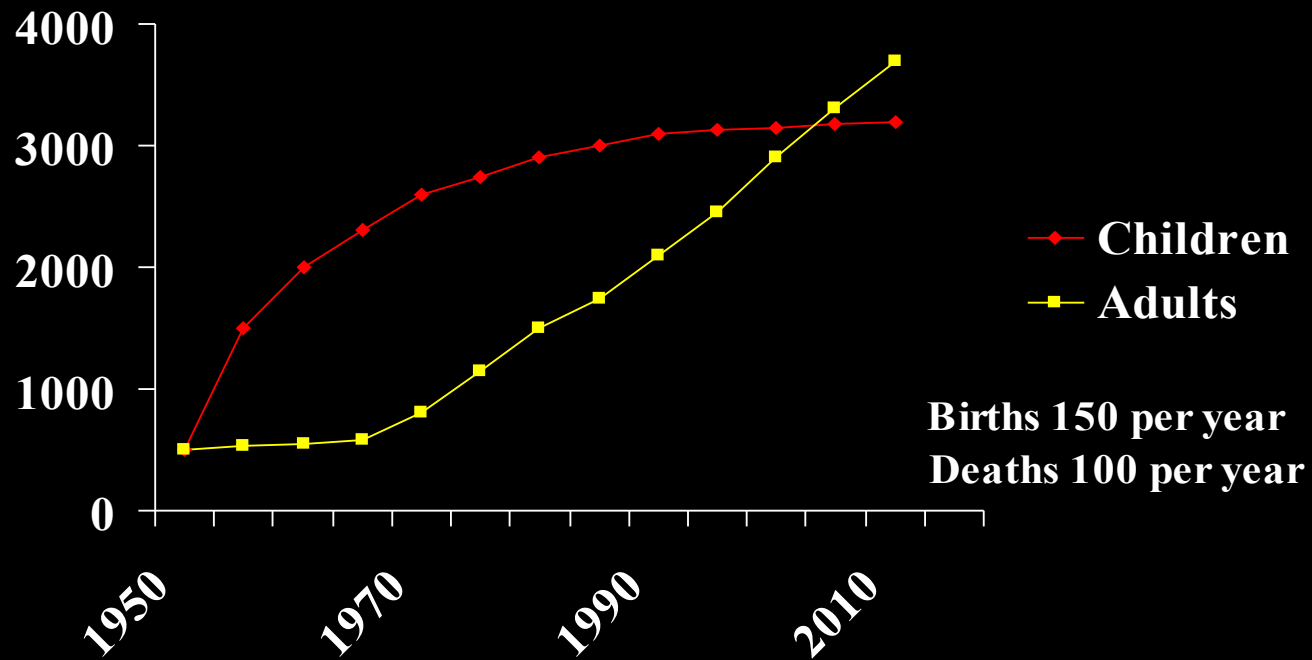
# Specialist clinics/services:

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- Sleep related breathing disorders including nasal CPAP and non-invasive ventilation
- Cystic fibrosis (only adult centre in Thames Valley SHA)
- Pleural disease including diagnostic thoracoscopy
- Interventional bronchoscopy (endobronchial palliation)
- COPD clinic
- Bronchiectasis clinic
- Sarcoidosis/ILD clinic

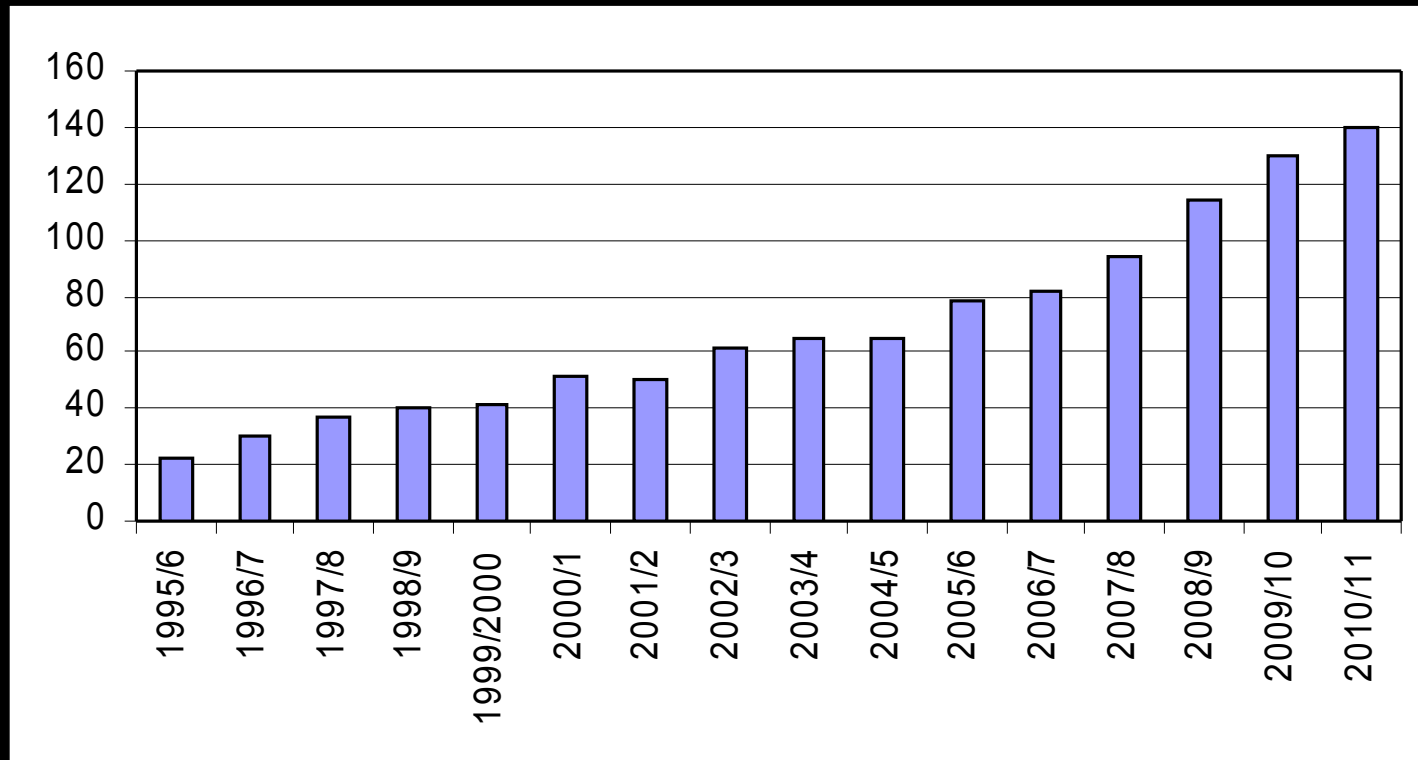
# Epidemiology - England & Wales

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# Predicted growth in Oxford adult cystic fibrosis patients

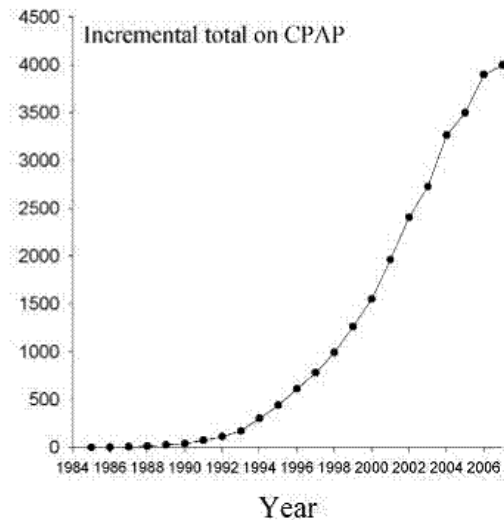
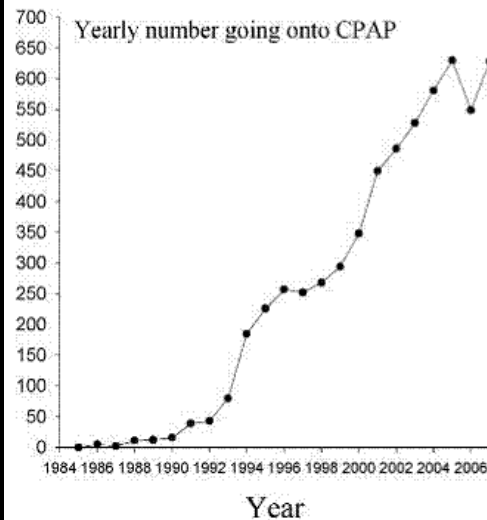
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# Sleep apnoea

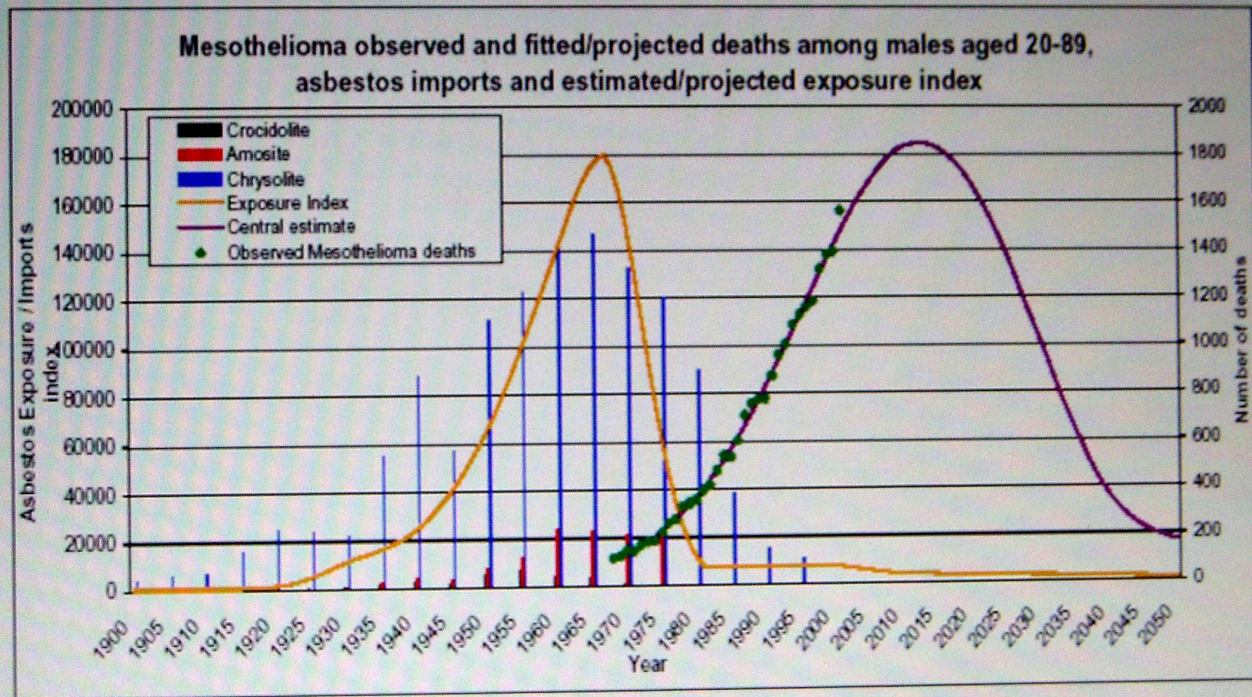
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CPAP prescriptions, Oxford Unit  
1984-2007





# Malignant mesothelioma



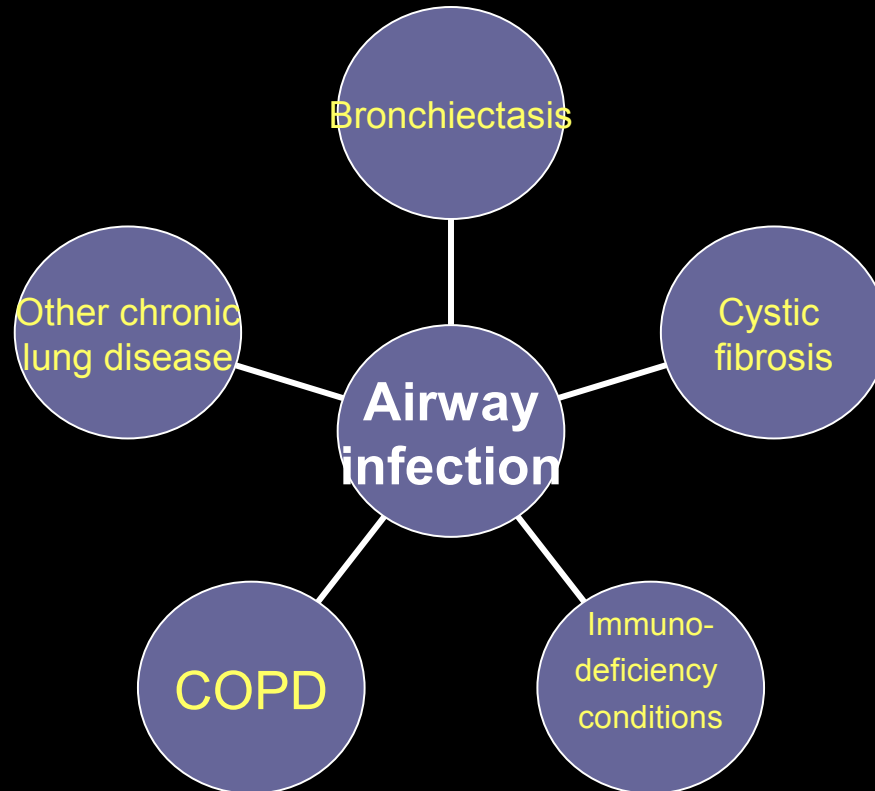


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# Airway infection in chronic lung disease

# Associated conditions

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# Bronchiectasis

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- Abnormal and permanent distortion bronchi
- Congenital (CF, immune deficiency, PCD) or acquired (previous pneumonia, TB etc.)
- Adults, mostly 'idiopathic'



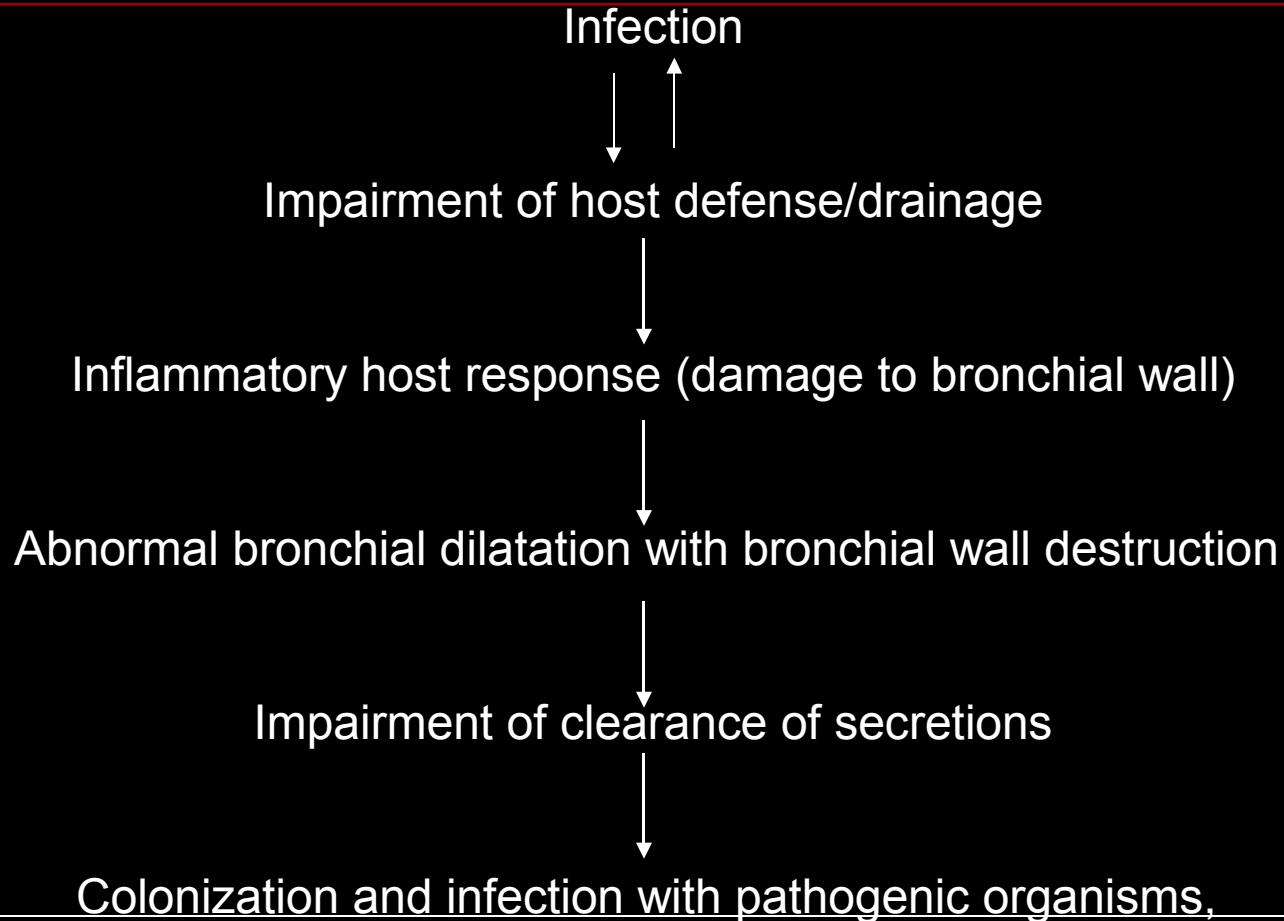
# Incidence

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- Largely unknown
- Apparent 'increase' in incidence probably due to more cases being diagnosed with HRCT
- Bronchiectasis has been identified using HRCT in up to 15%-30% of patients diagnosed in primary care with chronic bronchitis and COPD

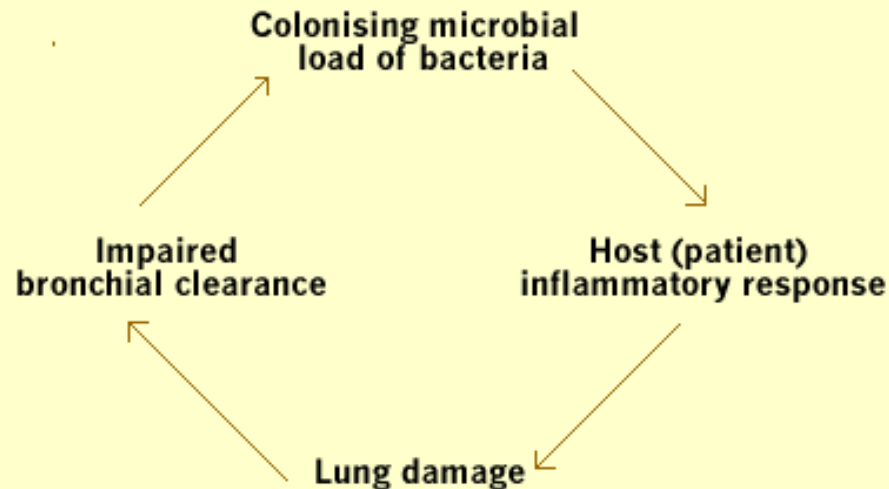
# Pathophysiology

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# Vicious cycle of infection/lung damage

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The 'vicious circle' hypothesis

# Clinical features that might suggest bronchiectasis:

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- Cough and daily mucopurulent sputum (75%)
- Dyspnoea (72%)
- Obstructive spirometry without significant smoking history
- History of frequent episodes of 'bronchitis'
- Pleuritic chest pain (intermittently in 40%). Usually secondary to chronic coughing, occasionally acute exacerbation.
- Other: haemoptysis, weight loss (severe bronchiectasis)



# Examination

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- Crackles may/may not be helpful
- FEV1/FVC useful, for documenting severity and tracking changes
- Systemic markers of infection often not present

# Diagnosis

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- Clinical history
- CXR can be normal
- Characteristic findings on CT scans
- Often airflow obstruction on spirometry

# Natural History

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- Incurable
- Active management reduces symptoms and delays/prevents further lung damage
- Complications include lung abscess, haemoptysis, empyema, pneumothorax
- Currently, mortality is related more to progressive respiratory failure and cor pulmonale than to uncontrolled infection

# Outcome

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- Few studies on outcome
- Approx 1 in 5 will have premature death (mean age 53 years)

# Treatment

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- Disease education/self-management plan
- Regular physiotherapy
- Prompt antibiotics for infection
- Multi-disciplinary clinic
- Telephone advise service

# Education

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- Patients need to understand risk of progression and 'vicious circle'
- Agree what is 'normal symptoms' and therefore what is acceptable and clarify the aims of treatment

# Determine 'normal symptoms'

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- No symptoms
- Recurrent acute bronchitis (infective exacerbations) with no background symptoms
- Recurrent acute bronchitis on a background of daily mucoid sputum
- Daily purulent sputum without systemic/generalized symptoms plus/minus recurrent acute bronchitis
- Daily purulent sputum with systemic/generalized symptoms plus/minus recurrent acute

Mild



Severe



# Agree aims of treatment

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	<b>Ideal</b>	<b>Realistic</b>
<b>Background symptoms</b>	Abolition	Minimise
<b>Acute episodes of bronchitis</b>	Prevention	Reduce severity
<b>Disease progression</b>	Prevention	Prevention
<b>Adverse effects</b>	None	Minimise

# Disease education

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- Be aware of changes in sputum (viscosity, colour, volume)
- Self-management plan
  - Sputum specimen
  - Initiate 'stand-by' antibiotics
  - Contact service if no improvement in 3-4 days

## SELF MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR BRONCHIECTASIS PATIENTS

**The doctor and physiotherapists** will have talked to you about the importance of prompt treatment for infective exacerbations. It is therefore important to be aware of symptoms of an exacerbation as follows:

- ❖ An increase on the volume of your sputum from your normal day-to-day amount
- ❖ A change in colour of your sputum
- ❖ Feeling more tired and generally not well
- ❖ Your chest feeling constricted or congested
- ❖ Evidence of soreness or pain in your chest
- ❖ Shortness of breath, and wheeze

**If you have more than two** of the above symptoms, and do not know what to do, please contact the bronchiectasis team on 01865 225713 or 01865741841 asking for bleep 1234 for advice (Monday to Friday, 9:30 to 12:30)

- ❖ If possible send a sputum sample to your local GP surgery or by post to the laboratory at the John Radcliffe Hospital, using the correct postal packaging provided by the hospital.
- ❖ If the sample has been sent to the John Radcliffe Hospital. Please contact the bronchiectasis team for the result after four days.
- ❖ Start your prescribed reserve course of antibiotics.
- ❖ If you are not responding to the treatment within three to four days, contact the bronchiectasis team.
- ❖ If you are having recurrent infections i.e monthly, please contact the bronchiectasis team to discuss if you need an earlier review.

# Antibiotics

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- Recommend high doses for at least 2 weeks
- *In vitro* sensitivity not necessarily representative of *in vivo* action
- Treat according to organism from most recent sputum microbiology
- H Influenzae most common in mild/mod disease
- Pseudomonas aeruginosa more common as disease progresses

# Which antibiotic?

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- Amoxicillin 500mg tds for 2 weeks  
(clarithromycin 500mg bd)

## *Second-line*

- Co-amoxiclav 625 tds for 2 weeks
- One that has worked before!

# Long-term antibiotics

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- Desperate measure!
- In selected patients only
- In response to recent change in symptoms
- Usually rotate every 28 days
- Only use if oral antibiotics work

# Pseudomonas aeruginosa

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- Chronic infection usually associated with significant decline
- Once established, difficult to clear
- Treatment of exacerbations much more complicated
- Aggressive management of PsA infection, 5 year survival increased from 54% to 82% in CF





# Pseudomonas aeruginosa – first isolate

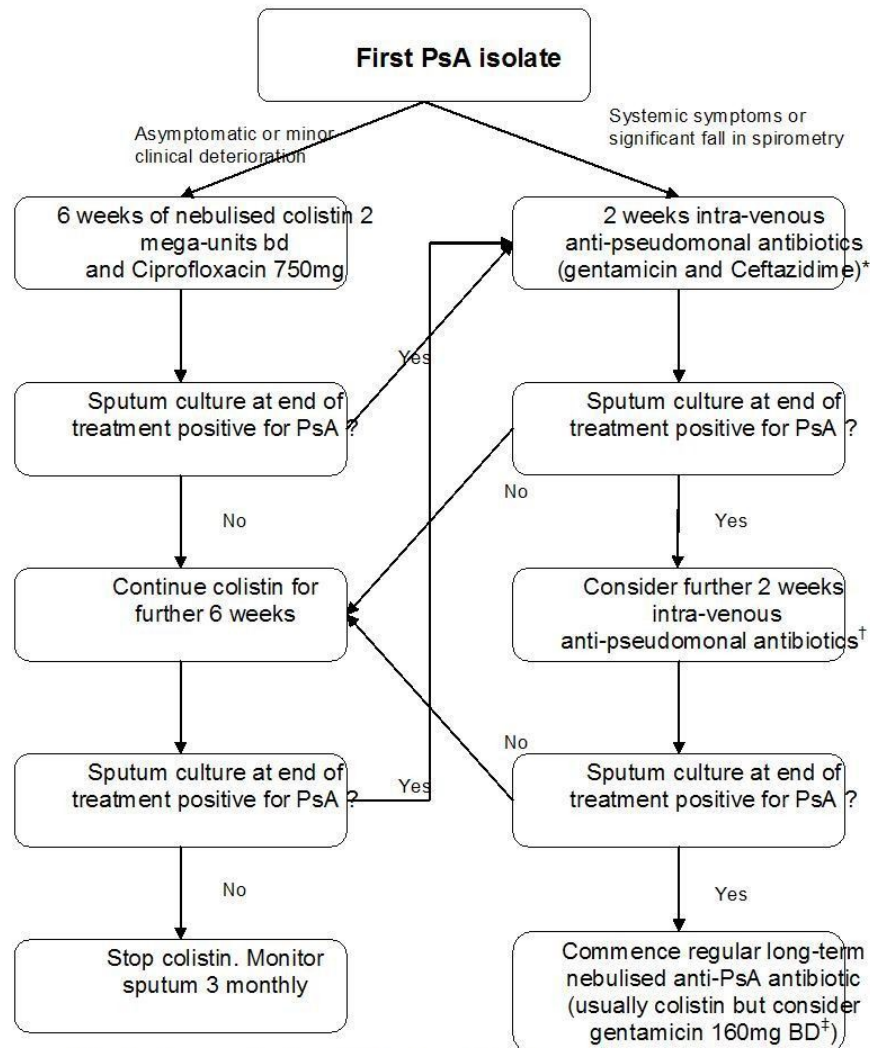
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- Colistin nebulised 2 mega-units bd
- Ciprofloxacin 750mg
- 6 weeks

■ *Valerius et al* (1991)

- If still colonised at 6 weeks
- Check compliance with colistin
- Consider 2 weeks intra-venous anti-pseudomonal antibiotics

bronchiectasis



\* Needs review at one week to ensure clinical improvement e.g. change in sputum volume, colour etc

† Decision for a further course is based on clinical judgment but particularly if lung function has fallen and CRP is still up

‡ The data for gentamicin is less robust than for colistin. Use in less severe cases and monitor progress. In the first 6 months if spirometry falls or requires an additional course of iv antibiotics, switch to nebulised colistin

# Chronic infection with PsA

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- Usually require iv antibiotics for exacerbations
- Some patients suitable for self-administration of home iv antibiotics
- Long term nebulised antibiotics reduce frequency of exacerbations

# Physiotherapy

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- Aims are to reduce airway obstruction by improving the clearance of secretions
- To reduce the severity of the infection by clearing infected material
- Variety of techniques according to technique/disease severity
- Exercise

# Physiotherapy

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- Active methods preferred
- E.g. ACBT, AD
- Postural drainage and percussion used much less in adults

## Flutter device



# Other treatments

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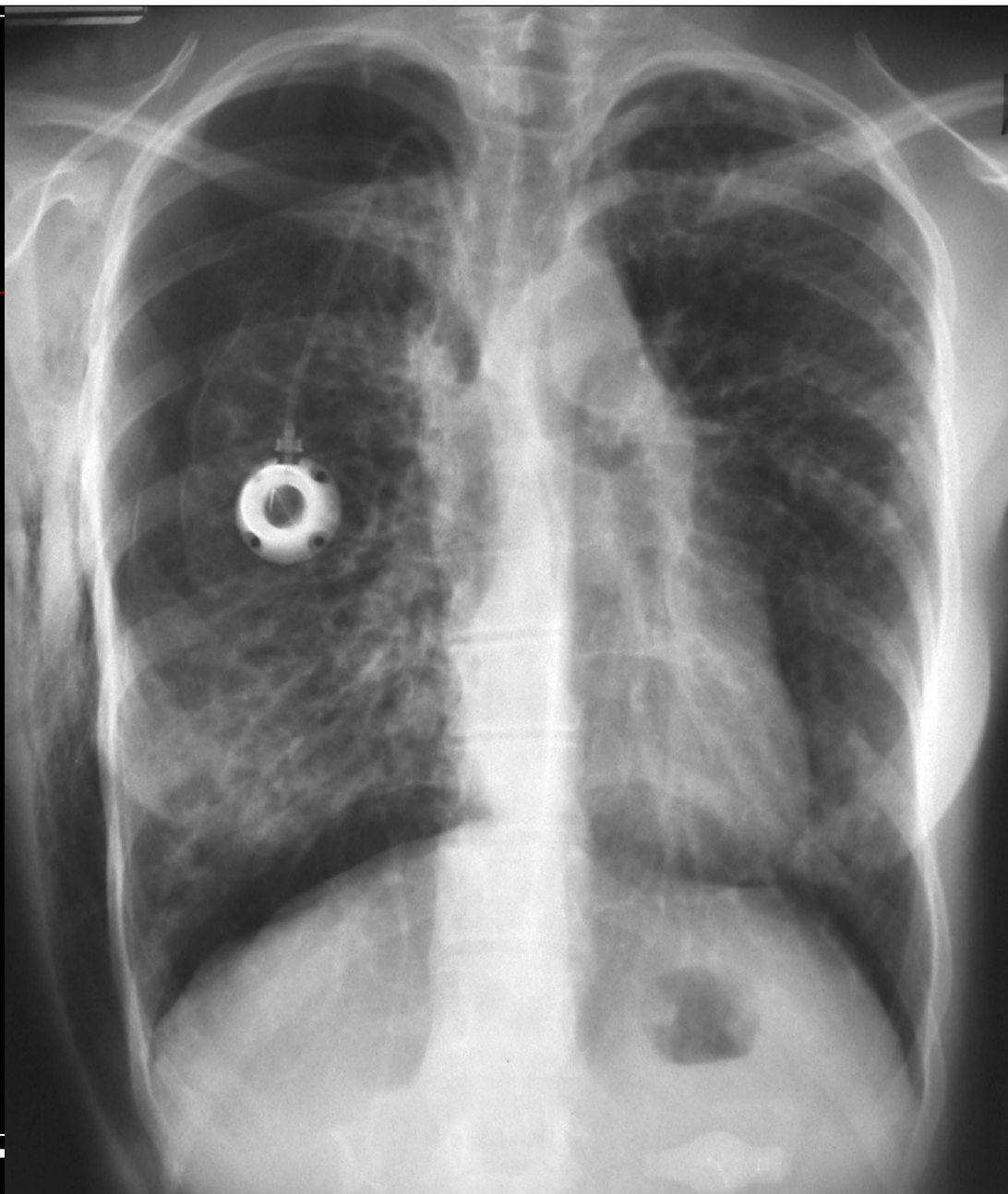
- Immunisation
- No role for inhaled steroids (unless co-existing asthma)
- Consider bronchodilators
- Anti-inflammatory drugs – no role
- Nebulised antibiotics (usually for *Pseudomonas*)
- Surgery – very rarely appropriate
- Transplant

# Total implantable venous access devices (portacath)

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# Case

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54 year old woman

Recurrent episodes of bronchitis

Now some breathlessness

Smoked until age 30, stopped 'smokers  
cough'

Childhood whooping cough

# Investigations

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- CXR Normal
- Spirometry
  - FEV1: 1.8 (predicted 2.4)
  - FVC : 2.8 (predicted 2.9)
  - FEV1/FVC = 64%
- Sputum MC and S – H Influenzae
- HRCT thorax

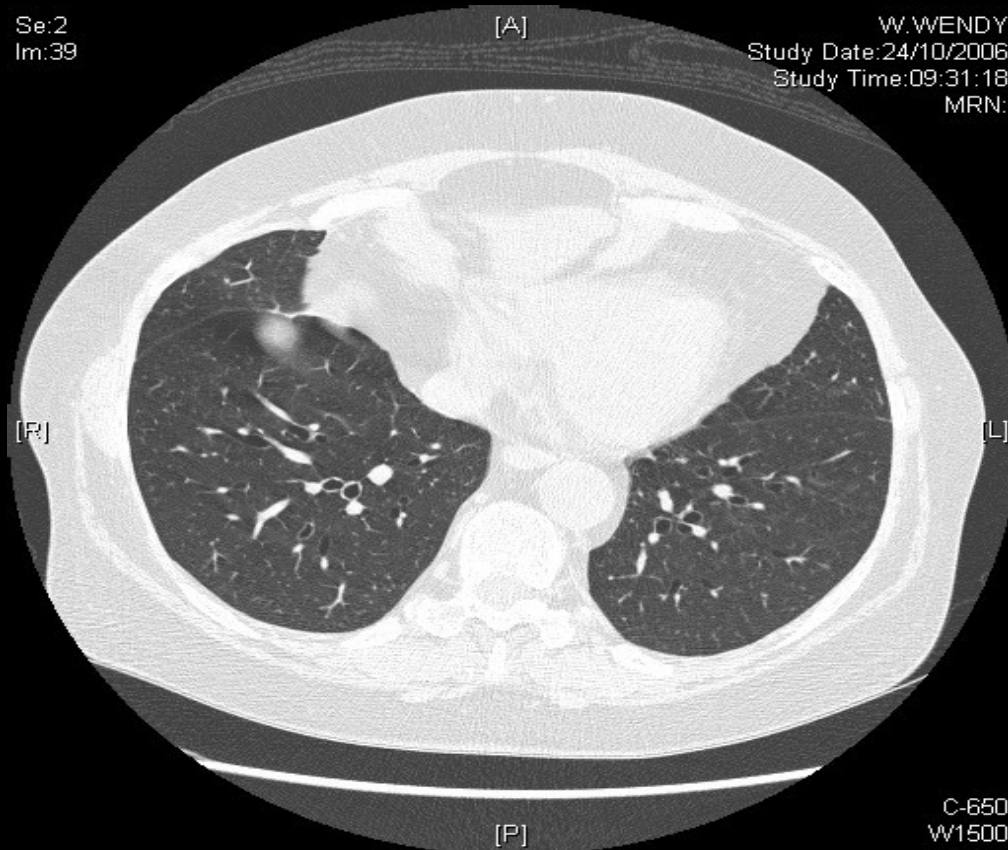
# HRCT

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Im:39

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Study Date:24/10/2006  
Study Time:09:31:18  
MRN:



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# Investigations

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- Immunoglobulins – Low IgG
- Aspergillus RAST

## **Common Variable Immunodeficiency**

*Other tests only if clinical suspicion (CF genotype/sweat test/ciliary studies)*

# Bronchiectasis service

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- Patient telephone support service
  - contact point for the bronchiectasis patients/GPs.
  - Medical assessment can be arranged for those who need it.
  
- Annual review appointment (Instead of 3-4 monthly review)
  - For stable patients who have self-management plan
  - Disease education
  - Microbiological surveillance
  - Monitoring disease progression
  
- Home intravenous antibiotics
  - Commenced in hospital (but 2-3 day stay rather than 14 day).

## choose and book

Patient: [REDACTED] Gender: Male Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Age: 69 years NHS: [REDACTED]

Show Search

## Service Search

## Referral Information

Initial Referring Clinician - Clark, Ben Kenneth

Referring PCT - CHERWELL VALE PCT

Practice - GP SPECIALIST INTEREST SERVICE

\*Priority: Routine

Due By Date: / /

☐ Request Advice

Define Additional Requirements

## Filter Services By:

Specialty:

Thoracic Medicine

Access Service Selection

\*Clinic Type:

General Thoracic Medicine

Named Clinician:

Keyword:

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## Service Results

Group By: None								
Select	Miles	Service Name	Directly Bookable	Location	Patient Information	Appointment Type	Indicative Wait Time	Organisation Type
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## Service Details

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Service: **Bronchiectasis-Respiratory Medicine-Chest Unit-Oxford Radcliffe-RTH**

Click the Service Name link for additional service information

## Contact Address

Service ID	168251	Clinic Type	General Thoracic Medicine	Address	OLD ROAD
Appointment Type	First outpatient				HEADINGTON
Service Location	CHURCHILL HOSPITAL	Available on ECN	No	Town	OXFORD
Service Provider Organisation	OXFORD RADCLIFFE HOSPITALS NHS TRUST	Advice Request Processing Available	No	County	
Service Provider Organisation Type	Acute Trust	Priorities Supported and Indicative Wait Times		Country	
Professional Type	Consultant	Routine	29 Days	Postcode	OX3 7LJ
Specialty	Thoracic Medicine	Urgent	33 Days	Service Contact Information	
Directly Bookable	No			Contact Telephone Number	0845 3308888
Service Contact Name	Patients Appointments Bureau	Staff Mix	Male and Female	Fax Number	01865 222768
				Text Telephone Number	
				E-mail Address	ORHAppointments@orh.nhs.uk

▼ **Conditions Treated**

Bronchiectasis

▼ **Procedures Performed**

Chest Radiograph, Pulmonary Function Tests, Reversability Testing, Arterial Blood Gases, Capillary Blood Gases, Heaf Test, Mantoux, Fine Needle Aspiration, FNA, Pleural Aspiration, Skin Prick Testing, Flight Assessment

▼ **Service Notes**

This is a MDT Clinic with a specialist Nurse and Respiratory Physiotherapist

▼ **Booking Details**

Booking Telephone Number: 0845 3308888

Hours of Operation: 8am and 9pm; Monday - Friday; 9am and 5pm; Saturday - Sunday

Please contact our Patients Appointments Bureau, which is open 7 days a week.



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# Cystic Fibrosis – an adult disease

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Cystic Fibrosis (CF) is the UK's most common, life-threatening, inherited disease

Cystic Fibrosis affects over 7,500 people in the UK

Failure of CFTR leads to the main clinical problems in CF due to increased viscosity of mucus in lungs and pancreas

# Cystic fibrosis survival

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- Dramatically improved survival in last 30 years due to:
  - maximising nutrition using enzymes, supplements and enteral feeding
  - Aggressive management of pulmonary disease
  - Lung transplant
- Average life expectancy is 31 years

# Changing epidemiology

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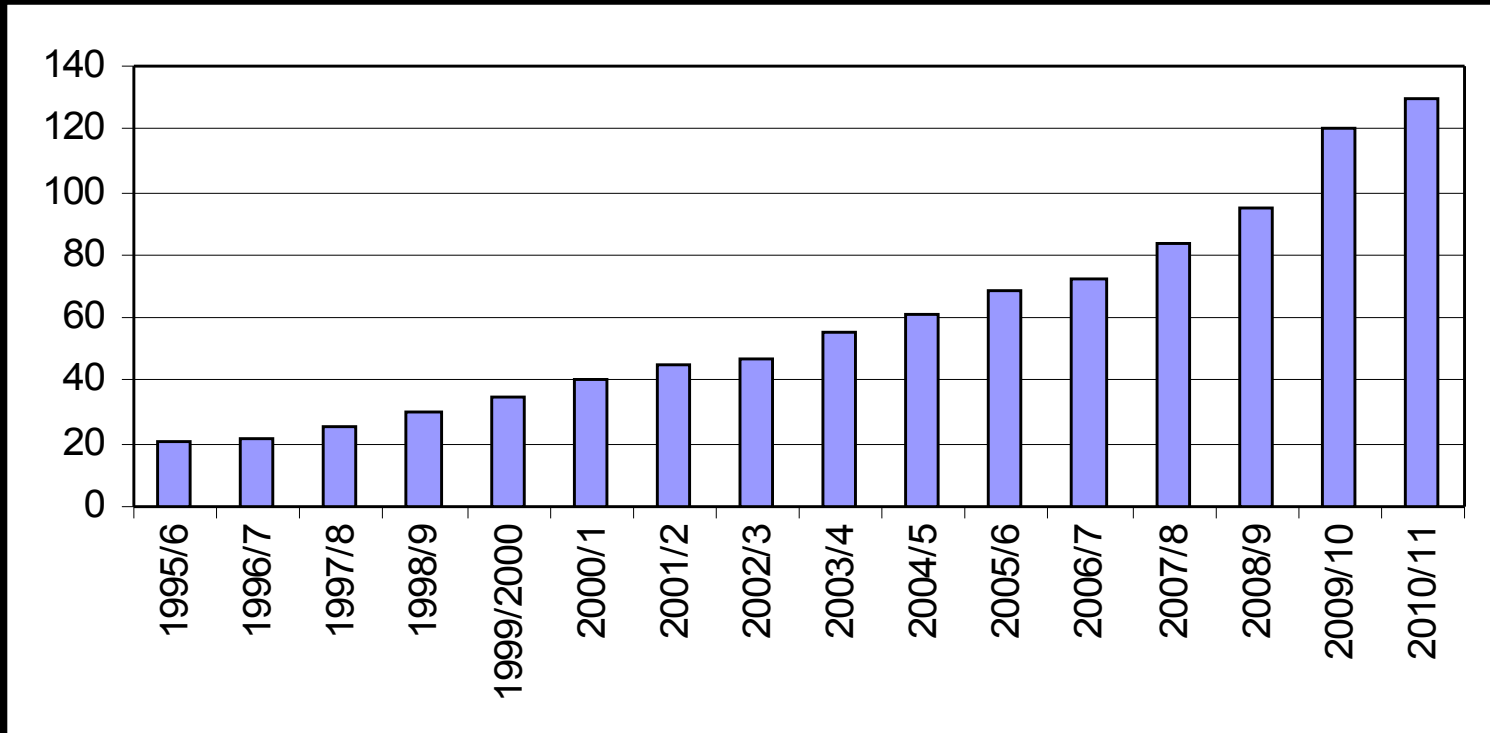
## Percentage of CF patients surviving to age 5

Year born	Males	Females
1968-70	75%	73%
1977-79	88%	87%
1989-1991	97%	97%

- More patients are surviving to adulthood
- 50% of CF patients are now 16 or over and 30% are over 20

# Predicted growth

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# Treatment – Lung disease

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- Daily physiotherapy
- Frequent antibiotics
- Intra-venous antibiotics
- Inhalers
- Daily nebulised antibiotics
- Oxygen
- Non-invasive ventilation
- Lung transplant



*DISEASE  
PROGRESSION*

## Other treatment

- Daily enzymes
- Nutritional supplements/NG or PEG feeding
- Vitamin supplements
- Insulin

## Other complications

- Cystic Fibrosis Related Diabetes mellitus
- Bowel Obstruction
- Gastro-oesophageal reflux
- Pancreatitis
- Liver and biliary disease
- Osteoporosis
- Nasal polyps and sinusitis
- Arthropathy, arthritis and vasculitis
- Infertility
- Pneumothorax
- Haemoptysis

# Tertiary service

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- Multi-disciplinary specialist team
  - 2 consultants
  - 2 physiotherapists
  - 3 CF specialist nurses
  - Dietician
  - Pharmacist
  - Psychologist
- Open access to service
- Liaison with other services:
  - Joint diabetic and hepatology clinics
  - Insertion of Intra-vascular devices
  - ENT
  - Interventional Radiologist
  - Oxford Fertility Unit
  - Silver Star Service
  - GI Surgeons



# Disease progression

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- Deterioration with increasing age
  - Increasing disability
  - Frequent hospital admissions/attendances
  - Respiratory failure
  - Diabetes
- Expensive to treat
  - Banding system

# 'Banding' of CF costs

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<b>Band</b>		<b>2006/07</b>
I	Predominantly out-patient treatment	£2313
II	Intravenous antibiotics 3-4 times a year	£9663
III	Intravenous antibiotics 3-4 times a year, some as in-patient	£29666
IV	Severe disease. Intravenous antibiotics 3-4 times a year predominantly as in-patient. Gastrostomy. Diabetes.	£63245
V	Frequent hospital admission. On non-invasive ventilation. Transplant assessment	£99632

# Predicted Costs

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<b>Year</b>	<b>2006/ 2007</b>	<b>2007/ 2008</b>	<b>2008/ 2009</b>	<b>2009/ 2010</b>	<b>2010/ 2011</b>
<b>Band</b>					
<b>I</b>	£60138	£67704	£85884	£102960	£115878
<b>II</b>	£347868	£393822	£485392	£595458	£668334
<b>III</b>	£355992	£403013	£518336	£609372	£707540
<b>IV</b>	£189735	£198273	£207195	£288692	£301684
<b>V</b>	£498160	£624696	£761607	£909576	£950504
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